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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1449

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 1449, AS AMENDED,  
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the  
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by  
6 adding Section 370c.2 as follows:

7 (215 ILCS 5/370c.2 new)

8 Sec. 370c.2. Task force on disability income insurance;  
9 parity for behavioral health conditions.

10 (a) As used in this Section, "behavioral health condition"  
11 means any mental, emotional, nervous, or substance use disorder  
12 or condition that falls under any of the diagnostic categories  
13 listed in the mental and behavioral disorders chapter of the  
14 current edition of the International Classification of Disease  
15 or that is listed in the most recent version of the Diagnostic  
16 and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

1       (b) The Department shall form a task force to review the  
2 plans and policies for individual and group short-term and  
3 long-term disability income insurance issued and offered to  
4 individuals and employers in this State in order to examine the  
5 use of such insurance for behavioral health conditions. The  
6 Task Force shall work cooperatively with the insurance  
7 industry, community organizations, businesses and business  
8 coalitions, and advocacy groups to reduce the stigma of  
9 behavioral health conditions. The task force shall be comprised  
10 of the following members:

11           (1) 2 experts in the disability income insurance  
12 industry appointed by the Governor.

13           (2) 2 experts in the behavioral health conditions and  
14 treatment industry appointed by the Governor.

15           (3) 2 consumers of disability income insurance who have  
16 experienced or are experiencing a behavioral health  
17 condition appointed by the Governor.

18           (4) One member of the General Assembly appointed by the  
19 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

20           (5) One member of the General Assembly appointed by the  
21 President of the Senate.

22           (6) One member of the General Assembly appointed by the  
23 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

24           (7) One member of the General Assembly appointed by the  
25 Minority Leader of the Senate.

26       (c) The task force shall elect a chairperson from its

1 membership and shall have the authority to determine its  
2 meeting schedule, hearing schedule, and agendas.

3 (d) Appointments shall be made 90 days after the effective  
4 date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly.

5 (e) Members shall serve without compensation and shall be  
6 adults and residents of Illinois.

7 (f) The task force shall:

8 (1) review existing plans and policies for individual  
9 and group short-term and long-term disability income  
10 insurance issued, delivered, and offered in the State;

11 (2) compare consumer use of short-term and long-term  
12 disability income insurance coverage for behavioral health  
13 conditions with use of such insurance for physical  
14 conditions;

15 (3) review reports of current costs incurred from  
16 individual and group short-term and long-term disability  
17 income insurance to cover behavioral health conditions at  
18 parity with physical conditions; and

19 (4) provide recommendations on the use of individual  
20 and group short-term and long-term disability income  
21 insurance to cover behavioral health conditions.

22 (g) Any of the findings, recommendations, and other  
23 information determined by the task force to be relevant shall  
24 be made available on the Department's website.

25 (h) The task force shall submit findings and  
26 recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by

1 December 31, 2020.

2 (i) The task force is dissolved and this Section is  
3 repealed on December 31, 2021.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
5 becoming law.".